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- 12. The device of claim 1, wherein said aperture is a hole or slot cut through the wall of the tube forming the tip portion.
- 13. The device of claim 1, wherein said bend is fabricated from a material selected from the group consisting of plastics, ceramics, metals and alloys.
- 5 14. The device of claim 13, wherein said bend is fabricated from copper.
 - 15. The device of claim 13, wherein said bend is fabricated from aluminium alloy.
 - 16. The device of claim 13, wherein said bend is in the form of a tube or a solid wire.
 - 17. The device of claim 1, wherein said bend and shank are formed from a single piece of material.
- 10 18. The device of claim 1, comprising a plurality of hooks.
 - 19. The device of claim 18, wherein said plurality of hooks are linked by a common shank.
 - 20. The device of claim 18, wherein each of said plurality of hooks has a shank and the shanks are linked to form the device.
- The device of claim 18, wherein said hooks are positioned longitudinally with respect to each other, laterally with respect to each other, or a combination of longitudinally and laterally.
 - 22. The device of claim 18, comprising two hooks.
 - 23. The device of claim 18, comprising three hooks.
 - 24. The device of claim 1, wherein said tip portion is threadingly engaged by said bend.
- 25. The device of claim 1, wherein said shank has an eye at the end thereof for attachment of a line to said device.
 - 26. A method of obtaining biopsy material from a fish, said method comprising the steps of:
 - i) providing a line with a device according to any one of claims 1 to 25 attached thereto;
 - ii) allowing a fish to strike said device;
 - iii) recovering said device after release from said fish; and